

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

This amendment is submitted in response to the Restriction Requirement dated July 20, 2006.

Claims 60-65 remain in this application.

Claims 1-36 were previously canceled. Claims 37-59 are canceled by this amendment. Claim 65 is new. Support for new claim 65 can be found throughout the originally filed specification including the originally filed claims.

The applicants elect to prosecute the claims of species c., which is the invention drawn to measuring thin film thickness by determining measuring points. The remaining claims 60-65 are readable on this species.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 650-326-2400.

Respectfully submitted,



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